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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—F. ALGAR, 8, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street. GEORGE STREET, 30, Cornhill. GORDON & GOSWELL, Ludgate Circus, E. C. BATES, HENDY & Co., 4, Old Jewry, E. C. SAMUEL DRAGON & Co., 160 & 164, Leadenhall Street.

PARIS AND EUROPE.—LEON DE ROBERT, 19, Rue Monsieur, Paris.

NEW YORK.—ANDREW WIND, 139, Nassau Street.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.—GORDON & GOSWELL, Melbourne and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally.—BRAN & BLACK, San Francisco.

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Bank.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 5,000,000 Dollars.
RESERVE FUND, 1,000,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

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Shanghai, EVAN CAMERON, Esq.
LONDON BANKERS.—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credit granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.
Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Office of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East.
Hongkong, February 27, 1878.

Notices of Firms.

THE GREAT NORTHERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

FROM THIS DAY the MANAGEMENT of the above COMPANY'S Office at this place has Provisionally been taken over by Mr. CARL NIELSEN.

A. SUENSON, Superintendent.

Hongkong, March 12, 1878. mcl9

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. EDWARD CUNNINGHAM in our Firm in Hongkong and China, CEASED on the 31st December last.

RUSSELL & Co.

China, March 8, 1878. sc8

NOTICE.

THE Interest of Mr. WILLIAM DUNPHY in our Firm, CEASED on the 28th February, 1878.

WM. DUNPHY & Co.

West Point Lion Works, Hongkong, March 9, 1878. mc23

NOTICE.

MR. HORATIO GAY JAMES was admitted a Partner in our Firm on the 1st January, 1878.

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.

Hongkong, January 5, 1878.

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day established myself at this Port as a MERCHANT and COMMISSION AGENT, under the Style or Firm of GEO. R. STEVENS & Co., who will henceforward conduct the Agency of the AUSTRALIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

G. R. STEVENS.

Hongkong, December 29, 1877.

NOTICE.

MR. H. F. MEYERINK has been admitted a Partner in our Firm from This Date.

MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, January 1, 1878. ap7

For Sale.

LAMBERT, ATKINSON & CO. HAVE FOR SALE.

Ex M. M. S. S. "ATLANTIC"

AND OTHER RECENT ARRIVALS.

TEYSSONNEAU'S STRAWBERRIES in SYRUP.

TEYSSONNEAU'S ASSORTED FRUITS in NOYEAU.

TEYSSONNEAU'S ASSORTED FRUITS in BRANDY.

TEYSSONNEAU'S ASSORTED PATES, in Patent Tins.

TEYSSONNEAU'S PATE DE FOIE GRAS, in Patent Tins.

TEYSSONNEAU'S ASSORTED JAMS and JELLIES, in Glass Bottles.

PHILIPPE and CANAUD'S ASSORTED PATES.

PHILIPPE and CANAUD'S LONG ASPARAGUS.

PHILIPPE and CANAUD'S SARDINES.

FENARD & FILS' FINEST

CHERBOURG BUTTER, in Bottles.

CIGARETTES, COMPAGNIE LAFERME.

RICHMOND SMOKING MIXTURE.

BARCELONA NUTS.

BRAZIL NUTS.

PEA NUTS.

ALMONDS in SHELL.

SMYRNA FIGS.

MUSCATEL BLOOM RAISINS, in Cartons.

EPPE COCOA.

BORDER'S CONDENSED MILK.

GOLDEN GATE FLOUR, in Barrels.

GALETTINE and ISINGLAS, in 1/2 lb. Packets.

WAFFLE IRONS. AMERICAN BROTHERS.

VERY FINE

"O. K." BOURBON WHISKY.

BILLIARD CUE TIPS.

BILLIARD CUE CEMENT.

BILLIARD CHALK.

BILLIARD TABLE CLOTHS.

BARCLAY and PERKINS' PORTER, in Hogheads.

HOT'S BEST QUALITY RUSSIAN ROPE.

HOT'S ASSORTED TARED and WHITE LINES.

FAIRBANKS' SCALES.

&c., &c., &c.

Hongkong, February 22, 1878.

FOR SALE.

LARGE TAKASIMA COAL, Ex GEDOWN at \$8 PER TON.

Apply to

THE G. GLOVER,

No. 7, Queen's Road Central, and East Point.

Hongkong, February 18, 1878. mcl8

COAL.

BEST QUALITY CARDIFF STEAM COAL for Sale, ex GEDOWN.

Apply to

BATTLES & Co.

Hongkong, December 3, 1877.

Intimations.

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

THIS REFINERY MANUFACTURES

LOAF SUGAR, (in 5, 10, and 15 lbs. Leaves.)

Cut and Powdered LOAF SUGAR.

CUBE SUGAR (Lyle's Patent), shortly.

CRYSTALLIZED SUGAR, mark C. S. R. (in diamond) 4 IIII.

Fine WHITE SUGAR, mark C. S. R. (in diamond) 4 IIII.

Medium WHITE SUGAR, mark C. S. R. (in diamond) 4 II.

Fine YELLOW SUGAR, mark C. S. R. (in diamond) 4 II.

COFFEE SUGAR, mark C. S. R. (in diamond) 4 I.

GOLDEN SYRUP, SYRUP, and MOLASSES.

SPIRITS OF WINE and LAMP SPIRIT.

RUM, 40°, 50°, O. P. and Neutral.

ANIMAL CHARCOAL and A DUST.

AMMONIACAL LIQUOR, from Bones.

BONE-TAR (a preventive of white ants.)

ROUGH BONE TALLOW.

Packed in Quantities and Packages to suit Customers.

Particulars and Prices on application to

THE MANAGERS,

CHINA SUGAR REFINING Co., Limited, East Point, Hongkong.

March 8, 1878. sc5

THE STAG HOTEL, 10, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, HONGKONG.

IS now undergoing EXTENSIVE ALTERATIONS and REPAIRS, and will be EXTENSIVELY RE-FURNISHED and OPENED FOR BUSINESS on SATURDAY, the 16th March, 1878, under new Management.

First rate Accommodation for Visitors. Attached to the Hotel is a commodious Billiard Room.

WINE and SPIRITS of the BEST QUALITY ONLY.

PROPRIETOR—J. COCK.

STAG HOTEL, QUEEN'S ROAD, HONGKONG, March 4, 1878. mcl5

Intimations.

EX LATE ARRIVALS.

UMBRELLAS, AUTOMATON PATENT.

NOVELTIES in TIES and SCARFS.

COLLARS and SHIRTS, in New Shapes.

CHRISTY'S Newest Shapes in HATS.

TALL BLACK SILK and DRAB HATS.

ELWOOD'S CORK and FELT HELMETS.

MEERSCHAUM and BRIAR PIPES.

CIGAR TUBES, Assorted.

LAWN TENNIS BATS and BALLS.

RACQUET BATS and BALLS.

CRICKET BATS, BALLS and STUMPS.

CABINETS of GAMES.

LADIES' DRESSING BAGS, Fitted.

MANTEL-PIECE MIRRORS.

FRENCH and ENGLISH DOLLS.

AMERICAN ICE PITCHERS.

RUSSIAN CIGARETTES.

SILVER KEROSINE LAMPS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, February 25, 1878.

YANGTSE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

NOTICE TO CONTRIBUTORS.

IN Accordance with the Articles of Agreement, the Directors have declared a Dividend to Policy-holders for the fiscal year ending 30th September, 1877, of TWENTY-FIVE PER CENT. on the NET PREMIUM CONTRIBUTED.

Warrants will be delivered by the Under-signed to Contributors of Premium at this Port, on and after the 9th Instant.

Policy-holders are requested to send in part-ulars of their Contributions.

By Order of the Directors, RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 5, 1878. ap5

THE CHINESE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Seventh Ordinary MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Head Office, Victoria, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the 22nd March, 1878, at 3 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1877.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th March to the 22nd March, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board, OLYPHANT & Co., General Agents.

Hongkong, February 22, 1878. mc23

PIANOFORTE TUNING.

MR. J. BUCHANAN, BANDMASTER of Her Majesty's 74th Highlanders, begs to announce to the Public of Hongkong that he will undertake to TUNE PIANOFORTES during his stay in the Colony.

Address to Murray Barracks, Hongkong, March 14, 1878. ap14

DENTAL NOTICE.

DR. ROGERS begs to intimate to his Friends that he is about to visit SHANGHAI, and will be absent from Hongkong from April 1st to June 15th.

Xiangong, March 4, 1878.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL.

TENDERS are invited for a LEASE of the HONGKONG HOTEL, the present Fire-yearly Lease expiring on the 31st August, 1878. SEALED TENDERS to be sent in on or before the 31st March, 1878, to the Secretary of the Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited, who will supply any information required.

By Order of the Directors, LOUIS HAUSCHILD, Secretary.

Hongkong, September 15, 1877. ap1

DEVOS'S BRILLIANT

OIL.

RELIABLE,

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SAFE!!

DESIRING to benefit by the world-wide reputation of our Oil, certain parties have attempted to imitate our packages. Suits at law have been instituted against the MAKERS and PURCHASERS of these imitations. Buyers should be careful to see that the words "DEVOS'S BRILLIANT" are stencilled on the cases, and the words "DEVOS MFG CO. PATENTS" are stamped on the top of the can.

THE DEVOS MANUFACTURING Co., 80 Beaver and 127 Pearl Streets, NEW YORK, U. S. A.

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Shipping.

Steamers.

MONTHLY SERVICE.

FOR PORT DARWIN, COOKTOWN, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE, and the usual Ports.

One of the Australasian S. N. Co.'s Steamers will leave this for the above Ports on or about the 20th Proximo.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GEO. R. STEVENS & Co. Hongkong, February 25, 1878.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The A 1 American ship "CHARGER" will load here for the above Port, and have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, March 2, 1878.

FOR LONDON. The A 1 British Bark "FALCON," DAVID BARRY, Master, will load here and have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to MEYER & Co. Hongkong, February 8, 1878.

FOR MANILA. The Steamship "ESMERALDA" will be despatched for the above Port on SATURDAY, the 16th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, March 13, 1878. mcl6

FOR YOKOHAMA & HIGO. The German Steamer "PRINZ FRIEDRICH CARL," Captain H. MOHR, will leave for the above Ports on SATURDAY Next, the 16th Instant, at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to MELCHERS & Co., Agents. Hongkong, March 12, 1878. mcl6

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALOUTTA. The Steamship "VENICE" P. RHOZE, Commander, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 16th Instant, at Three o'clock afternoon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Hongkong, March 8, 1878. mcl6

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALOUTTA. The British Steamship "JAPAN," Capt. H. DE SMIDT, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 16th Instant, at 3 o'clock p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DAVID SASSON, SONS & Co., Agents. Hongkong, March 9, 1878. mcl6

FOR SHANGHAI (DIRECT). The Steamship "GLENFINLAS" will be despatched for the above Port on SATURDAY, the 16th Instant, at 5 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Hongkong, March 14, 1878. mcl6

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHEW. The Steamship "YESSO," Capt. S. ARTHUR, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 17th Instant, at Daylight, instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co. Hongkong, March 14, 1878. mcl7

FOR PORTLAND (OREGON). The A 1 British Ship "CITY OF HALIFAX," EVANS, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, January 30, 1878.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The A 1 American Bark "B. F. WATSON," HAWKINS, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have immediate despatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, January 30, 1878.

FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 German Bark "NIAGARA," WISHHURST, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have immediate despatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, January 30, 1878.

FOR HAMBURG. The A 1 British Bark "ANTIPODES," Captain WYETH, will load here as above.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, January 28, 1878.

Entertainment.

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

DAVE CARSON'S MINSTREL, Variety and Comedy Company, Consisting of Eight First Class ARTISTS.

Having arrived per Steamship Agamemnon, on route for Shanghai, will have the honour of giving

TWO OF THEIR INIMITABLE ENTERTAINMENTS (PREVIOUS TO THEIR DEPARTURE BY THE ABOVE STEAMER).

THIS & TO-MORROW EVENINGS, 15th and 16th March, 1878.

An entire change of Programme on second occasion.

THE CURTAIN WILL RISE PUNCTUALLY AT NINE O'CLOCK.

GOOD WINE NEEDS NO BUSH.

Read the following Programme—

PART FIRST.

M. J. N. S. T. R. E. L. S. Y.

Mrs. CARSON will preside at the Piano-forte.

Introductory Overture.

DAVE CARSON'S MINSTRELS.

Opening Chorus—"Away! Away!" (Marsello) DAVE CARSON'S CHOIR.

Ballad—"My Heart's Best Love," Mr. J. E. ARNOLD.

Comic—"Good-bye, Eliza Jane," Mr. GEO. NORVILLE.

Serenade—"Fair Lady, I'm waiting for Thee," Mr. J. H. FERRILL.

Comic—"My Grandfather's Collection," DAVE CARSON.

Song—"Under the Lamp," Mrs. GEO. NORVILLE.

THE FIRST PART WILL CONCLUDE WITH AN ETHIOPIAN ABSURDITY, ENTITLED "THE COLLEGIANS."

An Interval of Ten Minutes.

PART SECOND.

Intimations.

G. FALCONER & Co.,
WATCH AND CHRONOMETER
MANUFACTURERS,
AND
JEWELLERS.
NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS
AND BOOKS.
48, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, February 20, 1878. m20

W. BALL,
CHINA DISPENSARY.

**IMPORTER OF DRUGS, CHEMICALS,
DRUGGISTS' Sundries, TOILET
REQUISITES, PATENT MEDI-
CINES AND PERFUMES.**

Prescriptions Dispensed with Carefulness,
and Prompt Attention.

PRAY WEST, HONGKONG,
Near the Canton Steamer's Wharf.
Hongkong, July 13, 1876.

NOTICE

A. MILLAR & Co.,
PLUMBERS, AND GAS FITTERS,
Queen's Road East,
HONGKONG.
September 15, 1877.

AFONG,
PHOTOGRAPHER,
by appointment, to
H. E. SIR ARTHUR KENNEDY,
GOVERNOR OF HONGKONG,
and to
H. I. H. THE GRAND DUKE ALEXIS
OF RUSSIA.

WYNDHAM STREET, FORMERLY AXELTIE OLIVE,
HAS on hand the Largest and Best
collection of Views of China, Pho-
tographic Albums, Frames, Cases, &c., of
assorted sizes. Ex. S. S. Tyne, Revolving
Standard Albums, Armorial Monograms
and Postage Stamp Albums, Russia Leather
and velvet and carved-wood Albums, Cases and
Frames, nice Albums for Cabinet Portraits
only, Portraits of the Generals of the pre-
sent Russo-Turkish War, Russian British
Statesmen, the two Chinese Ambassadors,
in Cabinet and Carte de Visite sizes
Coloured Portraits of English Ladies.
Hongkong, August 24, 1877.

**SHIP'S COMMODORE AND
STEVEDORE,**
No. 57, Praya Wan.
SHIPPING SUPPLIED WITH ALL KINDS OF
COAL, WATER, BALLAST, FRESH
PROVISIONS & OILMAN'S
STORES
Of the best quality and at the shortest notice.
Hongkong, May 1, 1876. my1

**THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE
SOCIETY OF THE
UNITED STATES.**

HARVEY B. HYDE, President.
J. W. ALEXANDER, Vice-President.
SAMUEL BORROW, Secretary.
**A. A. HAYES, Jr., General Manager, for
China and Japan.**

PRINCIPAL OFFICE,
120, BROADWAY, NEW YORK.

Assets.....\$31,700,000
Surplus.....\$ 5,600,000

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents in Hongkong, China, for the
above Company, are prepared to accept
Risks at greatly reduced rates and upon
terms very favourable to the assured.
For full information and particulars,
apply to
OLYTHANT & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, January 21, 1878.

STANDARD FIRE OFFICE, LONDON.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents to the above Company at this
Port, are prepared to grant Policies against
Fire to the extent of \$40,000, on Buildings
or on Goods stored therein.

Discount 20 %
VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.
Hongkong, March 1, 1878.

**Volume Sixth of the
"CHINA REVIEW."**

Now Ready.
No. IV.—Vol. VI.
—OF THE—

"CHINA REVIEW"

CONTAINS—

Bibliography of the Chinese Imperial Col-
lections of Literature.
Imperial Confucianism.
Brief Sketches from the Life of K'ung-ming.
Chinese Official Titles.
Translations of Chinese School-books.
Geographical Notes on the Province of
Kiang.

Where Notices of New Books and Literary
Intelligence.

Notes and Queries:—

The Manchu Terms for 上 and 下.

The Mammoth in Chinese Records.

Mohammedan Apostles in China.

The Ki-lin identified with the Griffe.

Life Saving Association, and other
Benevolent Societies at Wuhu.

Professor Beal and his Critics.

Annals of the Republic.

Books Wanted, Exchanges, &c.

China Mail Office,
Hongkong, March 12, 1878.

Notices to Consignees.

STEAMER PRINZ FRIEDRICH
CARL, FROM LONDON,
PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THIS Steamer having arrived, Consignees
of Cargo are hereby informed that
their Goods are being landed at their risk,
by Mr J. Y. V. SHAW, into Messrs TURNER
& Co.'s Praya-Godown, whence delivery
may be obtained.

Consignees wishing to receive their
Goods on the Wharf are at liberty to
do so.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on,
unless notice to the contrary be given
before Noon to-morrow.

No Claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods
remaining after the 22nd instant will be
subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
MELOCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, March 12, 1878. m216

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s S. S. GEELONG.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-
named Vessel, from Bombay and Inter-
mediate Ports, and in connection with the
Steamers POONAH from London, and
KHEDEE from Calcutta, are hereby
informed that their Goods are being landed
and stored at their risk in the Company's
Godowns, at West Point, whence delivery
can be obtained from this date.
Goods not delivered by the 18th instant
will be subject to rent.

ADAM LIND,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, March 11, 1878. m217

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Glenfinlas* having arrived
from the above Ports, Consignees of
Cargo are informed that their Goods are
being landed at their risk into the Godowns
of the Undersigned, whence and/or from
the Wharf or Boats delivery may be ob-
tained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded to
Shanghai, unless notice be given before
1 o'clock to-morrow.

Goods remaining undelivered after the
19th instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, March 12, 1878. m218

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo
are requested to send in their Bills of
Lading to the Undersigned for counter-
signature, and take immediate delivery.
This Cargo has been landed and stored at
their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

R. DU POUEY,
Agent.

Ex "Anadyr."

R. H. BRUCE, Esq., 1 case Merchants
of Messrs Tait & Co., 1 case, from
Amoy, London.

Hongkong, March 13, 1878.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S.
Anadyr, are hereby informed that
their Goods are being landed and stored
at their risk at the Company's Godowns,
whence delivery may be obtained imme-
diately after landing.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
the Undersigned.

Goods remaining undelivered after Wed-
nesday, the 13th instant, at Noon, will be
subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. DU POUEY,
Agent.

Hongkong, March 6, 1878.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SALE.

E. THOREAU & FILS
CHAMPAGNES.
CARTE D'OR, White Seal, \$14.00 per
2 doz. Pints.

CARTE BLANCHE, White Seal, \$13.00
per 2 doz. Pints.

HALF PINTS,
CARTE D'OR, \$18.00 per Case, 4 Doz.

Apply to
ED. CHASTEL,
Queen's Road, Bank Buildings.

Hongkong, March 15, 1878. m223

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received in-
structions from Captain ALLAN
NOYES, to sell by Public Auction, on

TUESDAY,

the 19th day of March, 1878, at 11 a.m.,
at the Godowns of Messrs McEwen,
FRICKET & Co.,—

The following ARTICLES SALVED
from the Wreck of the American Barque
"FOREST BELLE,"

One Donkey Engine complete, with
Condenser.

One full and complete Suit of Cotton
Duck Sails.

Running and Standing Rigging.

Two Bower and One Stream Anchor;
One Kedg.

One Cooking Range and Galley Fu-
nitures.

Cabin Furniture, &c., &c., &c.

Terms of SALE.—Cash before delivery
in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.17.

The Lot or Lots, with all faults and errors
of description, at purchaser's risk on the
fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, March 15, 1878. m219

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR YOKOHAMA & HIOGO.

The Steamship
"GLENARTNEY"

shortly expected from SINGA-
PORE, will be despatched for
the above Ports on or about WEDNES-
DAY, the 20th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Hongkong, March 15, 1878.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
Owners will be Responsible for any
Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew
of the following Vessels, during their stay
in Hongkong Harbour:—

QUICKSTEP, American barque, Captain
Barney.—Captain.

PALESTINE, British barque, Captain H.
Sowerby.—Tal Lee.

LOUISA, German 3-m. schooner, Captain
Schlerich.—Edward Schellhaas & Co.

ROBERT SMITH, American ship, Captain
J. U. Thomson.—Order.

P. J. CARLETON, American barque, Capt.
J. A. Amberg.—P. & O. Co.

TEX LI, German barque, Captain T. C.
Peterson.—Wm. Fustan & Co.

LOBBE, British steamer, Captain Wm.
McClulloch.—Melchers & Co.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

March 14, 8 p.m. *Pernambuco*, British
steamer, 643 Tons, Hynde, Saigon March 9,
Rice.—Melchers & Co.

March 14, 11 p.m. *Maharajah*, British
steamer, 994, Clark, Saigon March 9, Rice.
—Simsen & Co.

March 15, *Hansa*, German barque, 488,
L. O. Deneken, Sourabaya Feb. 28, Ballast.
—Wielke & Co.

March 15, *Chop-sai*, Chinese gunboat,
from Canton.

March 15, *Louis Eugene*, French barque,
488, Menard, Amoy March 13, General.—
CARLOWITZ & Co.

March 15, *Jean Pierre*, French barque,
607, Legasse, Swatow March 14, Ballast.—
CARLOWITZ & Co.

March 15, *Huyon*, French man-of-war,
1200, Calais, from a cruise.

March 15, *Ching Tung*, Chinese R. C.,
from a cruise.

March 15, *Anchises*, British steamer,
from Whampoa.

March 15, *Chop-chung*, Chinese R. C.,
from Canton.

DEPARTURES.

Mar. 15, *Lucas*, for Bangkok.

15, *Hermann*, for Bangkok.

15, *Quarta*, for Saigon.

15, *Glenroy*, from Whampoa.

15, *Dale*, for Rangoon.

15, *Chen-jui*, Chl. R. C., for a cruise.

CLEARED.

Fanny, for Sydney.

Antelope, for Manila.

Thomas Bell, for Manila.

Annie Lowrey, for Bangkok.

Thales, for Haiphong.

P. F. Carl, for Yokohama.

Atalanta, for Saigon.

Forth, for Whampoa.

Cashmere, for Hilo.

Glenfinlas, for Shanghai.

Yucca, for Coast Ports.

Kenton, for Bangkok.

PASSENGERS.

Per *Pernambuco*, from Saigon, Mr Rowe,
and 3 Chinese deck.

Per *Maharajah*, from Saigon, 3 Chinese.

Per *Lucas*, for Bangkok, 20 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Pernambuco* reports:
Strong monsoon with clear weather through-
out the passage.

The British steamer *Maharajah* reports:
Strong monsoon throughout the passage.

The French barque *Jean Pierre* reports:
Lett Swallow with a good breeze from
S.W. at two o'clock yesterday afternoon,
and had fine weather all the way.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS will close:—

For MANILA.—
Per *Emeralda*, at 11.30 a.m., on Satur-
day, the 16th inst.

For STRAITS SETTLEMENTS AND
CALCUTTA.—
Per *Penice* and *Japan*, at 2.30 p.m., on
Saturday, the 16th inst.

For SHANGHAI.—
Per *Glenfinlas*, at 4.30 p.m., on Satur-
day, the 16th inst.

For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHEW.—
Per *Yucca*, at 5 p.m., on Saturday, the
16th inst., instead of as previously
notified.

For SWATOW.—
Per *Norma*, at 5 p.m. To-morrow, the
16th inst.

For AMOY & SHANGHAI.—
Per *Agamemnon*, at 5 p.m. To-morrow,
the 16th inst.

For SAIGON.—
Per *Bellona*, at 4.30 p.m., on Tuesday,
the 19th inst.

MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET.

The English Packet Packet *China*,
will be despatched with the Mails for
Europe, &c., on THURSDAY, the
25th instant.

The following will be the hours of closing
the Mails, &c.:—

Wednesday, 27th instant.—
5 p.m. Money Order Office closes.
6 p.m. Post Office closes except the River
Box, which remains open all night.

Thursday, 28th instant.—
7 a.m. Post Office opens for sale
of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and
Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m. Post Office closes except for Late
Letters. Registry of Letters ceases.

10.15 a.m. Letters may be posted with
Late Fee of 16 cents extra
Postage till

11 a.m., when the Post Office Closes
entirely.

11.30 a.m. Letters (but Letters only)
addressed to the United Kingdom
via *Brindisi*, or to Singapore, may
be posted on board the Packet with
Late Fee of 45 cents extra postage,
till

11.50 a.m., when the Mail is finally
closed.

Hongkong, March 14, 1878. m220

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET.

The French Contract Packet *Amoy* will
be despatched from Hongkong on
THURSDAY, the 21st instant, with
Mails to and through the United
Kingdom and Europe, via Mar-
seille; to Saigon, Singapore, Bata-
via, Galle, Australia, New Zea-
land, Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, Sey-
chelles, Réunion, Mauritius, Suva,
and Alexandria. This is the best
opportunity for forwarding Corre-
spondence to E. Africa, the Cape,
St. Helena, and Ascension.

Letters may also be forwarded to INDIA
by this Packet but can be paid only
as far as Ceylon. The postage to
Ceylon must be prepaid. Such Let-
ters should be marked *Paid to Galle*
only; they will go on from Galle as
unpaid.

The following will be the hours of closing
the Mails, &c.:—

Wednesday, 20th instant.—
5 p.m. Money Order Office closes. Post
Office closes except the River Box,
which remains open all night.

Thursday, 21st instant.—
7 a.m. Post Office opens for sale of
Stamps, Registry of Letters, and
Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m. Post Office closes except for Late
Letters.

11 a.m. Post Office closes except for Late
Letters.

11.10 a.m. Letters (but Letters only)
except those to and through Australia,
may be posted on payment of a
Late Fee of 16 cents extra postage,
till

11.30 a.m., when the Post Office Closes
entirely.

Hongkong, March 7, 1878. m221

Shipping Intelligence.

The following is corrected from the latest
London and Colonial Papers:—

VESSELS TO ARRIVE.

AT HONGKONG.

When left. Name. From. Remarks.

Aug. 14, Regular, Cardiff.

2, Andrea, Flushing Roads.

23, Victoria (s.), Liverpool.

2, Anna Bertha, Cuxhaven.

19, Oscar, Hamburg.

25, Benedicte, San Francisco.

30, Lodovico, London.

Nov. 1, Elizabeth Ostle, Antwerp.

2, Odis (s.), Liverpool.

2, Johann Smidt, London.

2, Minna, London.

3, Elizabeth Shields, Hamburg.

20, Jett, Cardiff.

Dec. 1, Glengaber, Flushing.

2, Otto, Hamburg.

4, Devana, London.

13, Sir Harry Parkes, London.

19, Sodan, Cardiff.

19, Forward, Newcastle (s.w.).

23, J. R. Worcester, London.

25, G. E. S., Liverpool.

Jan. 8, Korro, Penarth.

17, Hylton Castle, Greenock.

master is living in No. 13 Room, which is on the other side of the passage.

The defendant said, when he was engaged by his master, he was living in No. 13 room; he did not know that his master had changed his room.

The complainant said Mr. Smith changed his room on the 11th instant, but the defendant knew of the change, as he had been working in the new room.

Remanded till the 18th.

THE ALLEGED RAPE CASE.

Aroh. Balro, light-house keeper at Cape D'Agulhar, again appeared to answer the above charge.

Mr. Caldwell, from the office of Mr. Breton, appeared for the defense.

Le Ping Kiu, the prosecutor, was first called—He is a widow, her husband died about four years ago. He resided at Hok-tai on the point of land, overlooking Tai-tam Bay. There are about 15 houses in the village. Hok-tai is about half an hour's walk from the light-house at Cape D'Agulhar. I reside in a house with my three children; the eldest is eight years of age; the youngest, three years of age, is posthumous. Two of my husband's brothers are named Chu Aman and Chu Akwai; they are employed at the light-house. I have been accustomed to go to and from the light-house since Chu Akwai has been employed there. I went every morning to the light-house to get pig's wash, and about once in five days a second time to carry clean clothes to my uncle. There is no female resident at the light-house buildings either Chinese or foreign. There are two foreigners at the light-house, the defendant and a Portuguese. I have been accustomed to see the prisoner, and once about six months back I washed four articles of clothing for him; generally the defendant sent his clothes to Victoria to wash. On Saturday the 9th inst., I went from Hok-tai to the light-house, arriving there at about 6 a.m., taking some clean washed clothes to my two relatives. I also carried a bucket to get pig's wash. On my arrival I did not see any person. My two relatives were not in the room, and I put their clothes on their beds, and was coming out of the room when I saw the defendant close to the door in the passage. The defendant's room is opposite to the room of my uncle.

A female named Lee came from Hok-tai and was about 10 feet from me. On arriving at the building I went to the out-houses and the other woman went to some other part of the premises. I saw the defendant standing near his room door; the woman went to the Chinese cook-room, and the defendant caught hold of me outside. I called out "save life." The defendant thereupon put his hand to my mouth and carried me into the house and his room. He lifted me up bodily, one arm being round my body and the other hand over my mouth. My feet were not touching the ground, my toes were as I was being dragged along. As I was being dragged along, the woman Lee called out "Aman! Aman! your sister-in-law is being dragged into a room by the European; you had better come down and save her life."

[The witness then gave a circumstantial narrative of what took place while she was in the room.] Continued.—I made no resistance because I was frightened.

Afterwards the defendant opened a box and took out some bank notes, offering them to me; I do not know how many, they were a roll. I made a motion saying "I don't want it, I am dying." I tried to get out, but found the door locked. The defendant then unlocked it, and I went out of the room. I met my uncle Aman outside in the passage, and told him what had happened.

Aman said, "Why did you not call out to me a little earlier, and I would have come to your assistance?" and he further said, "Is this the way the European treated you?" I replied, "Yes, I am going home now, and must kill myself."

While we were talking the defendant came out of the room and said something to Aman in English, but I could not understand it. I then returned home, and when I got home I went to bed, and did not get up till quite dark next day. I have an uncle named Koon Fook at Stanley, and I then went on the 11th to inform him of what had happened to me. I was named Akwai came to see me the day before, and I told him also; he then went away to the light-house and returned to me the next morning (11th) to take me to my uncle a Stanley. A report was then made to the Inspector on duty there. We came into Victoria by land the next morning (12th). I was taken by the Inspector to this Court, where I laid an information.

By Mr. Caldwell:—It is not my usual time to go to the light-house at 6 a.m. I am sure it was not 7 a.m. when I went, as the light was put out on my way thereto. I could see my uncle Aman and a Portuguese on the light-house working there. My uncle could not hear even if I had called out. If a defendant had never driven me away from the light-house, he never objected to my being on the premises. We have never had any quarrel. I was told by any body that the defendant did not like me to be on the premises. Akwai never told me anything of that sort. On one occasion, Akwai only told me, "Aunt, you must not come here again to get slops."

I replied, because my master complains of the smell. Myself and the water-carrier were the only persons who went to the light-house regularly, but occasionally a widow who has six children went to sell eggs. Sometimes women went in groups of three or four. When I was dragged into the room by the defendant, I was nearer my uncle's room than the defendant's bungalow. As I was dragged away, I had to be pulled along a covered way the roof of which was supported by two pillars. I could not grasp any of these pillars because the defendant held me by both arms. The room door was in two leaves, and both were opened when I was dragged in. There was also a back door of similar shape and it was open also. When I was dragged away, the woman water-carrier was in the cook-room washing the water-cask. On that morning I had six jackets on, the same as I have now, except the 7th, and the same trousers. The defendant had on a white jacket with black stripes. I did not notice the colour or material of the trousers. The defendant took the notes out of a drawer, but I refused them, saying I would die. As I was just leaving the defendant's room and meeting my uncle in the passage, the defendant pulled me out by the back. I then spoke to Aman, and the defendant then came out again. The water woman was in the cook-room when I went outside. I was in the defendant's room for about 15 minutes. From the time I was dragged into the room to the time I came out of my room, it was about half an hour. Akwai never advised me to submit myself to be examined by a European doctor after the event.

renew, but Aman said to me on our way to Stanley, that the defendant wished me to be so examined, but I refused to do so. I was not hurt by the assault, nor were my clothes torn in any way. (The prosecutor had on a coat of variegated colours from patches which were evidences of its great age and of its great liability to get torn.) Aman told me that defendant had threatened me that if I did not complain against him at once, he would complain against me.

Lee Asam, a married woman, known as the water-carrier, was called. She lived at Hok-tai, and supplied the people at the light-house with water. On the morning of the 9th she went there with water as usual, and saw the complainant there before her; she was going into her uncle's room and witness went into the cook-room.

Witness then heard a cry of "save life" by the complainant. She came out of the cook-room and saw the defendant dragging the complainant into his room. The defendant had one arm around her body and the other hand was on her mouth. Witness ran out to the yard and called out to Aman who was cleaning the light, with a Portuguese on the tower, to come to save his sister-in-law who was dragged into the room by his master, the defendant. Aman then came down and went to the house by the back door, while she went by the other door. They found the room door locked. Aman knocked loudly at the door three times, but it was not opened.

Witness then went to the well to fetch water, and on her return, she saw the complainant crying. She informed witness what had happened and pointed out the defendant.

The cross-examination did not elicit anything new in this witness' evidence, and she could not describe the clothes the defendant wore on that day, but she could see the defendant in his room through the window.

Chu Aman, a light-keeper at Cape D'Agulhar, was called. He was the brother-in-law of the complainant, being the brother of her husband. On the morning of the 9th, he put out the light at 6 o'clock; the Portuguese light-keeper was there after this cleaning the lamp, witness assisting.

Witness came to the light-house first. She came to call witness down about 6.10 a.m. Witness' sister-in-law came after the water-woman, bringing clean clothes to witness. On the out-lying being given by the water woman about his sister-in-law, he came down and went to rap at the defendant's door. As he was knocking at the door witness received no response, but only heard his sister-in-law say "I am dying, I am dying" in a low tone of voice.

About five minutes afterwards, the defendant opened the door. In the meantime the witness remained passive, making no effort to knock again. When the door was opened, the complainant came out, followed by the defendant. As they came out, he did not see the defendant push the complainant out. The complainant complained to him that she had been ravished by the defendant. The Portuguese was on the light tower and did not come down when the outcry was raised.

The case was continued up to a late hour, considerably after gas was lighted, when it was finally remanded till to-morrow at noon. The defendant was admitted to bail as before ordered.

LONDON GOSSIP.

(Pioneer.)

Jan. 26th.

The London tradesman, he of the West End, is beginning to look more cheerful, and the thoroughfares are more crowded, and the prospect of an "early season" gives promise of good to his particular mill.

There is a great deal of bustle and activity going on below the surface of society, and very much below the surface indeed, for there are more blockades of streets with notices of "beware of the steam-roller."

And more overhauling of drains, &c., than I ever remember. If you are late for train or dinner, it is even bettering your car or carriage has not to make a detour of two or three streets before it can get into the straight running again, and St. James's Park is almost given up to "navvies," re-laying the broad centre road on which royalty alone, on the occasion of high state ceremonial, travels. I believe there is no doubt, though it has been stated to the contrary, that Her Majesty will open Parliament in person next Thursday, and indeed the preparations in the Park speak for themselves. There will be a brilliant gathering on the occasion, and what a throng of eager listeners will crowd the House of Commons that night. All orders for Strangers' Gallery, Speakers' and Ladies' ditches have long been given away, and there will not be room in the first named for one-quarter the number of people who have got orders. The Peers, too, it is expected, will desert their own chamber to listen to the more exciting scene in another place, and altogether it will be a night of great interest, of many rumours, of some lies. I am sorry to say I postponed an application to a friend for a ticket for the Speaker's Gallery until it was too late, and now I have no chance of even the remotest corner.

I may as well empty my budget of absurdities at once. A friend of mine returned the week before Christmas from Algeria, where he had spent a couple of months. He went to Algiers by a French steamer from Marseilles. At Barcelona they took in an English nobleman and his daughter, also bound for Algeria, and likewise a young Englishman, who had evidently some previous acquaintance with Lord H. and a great admiration for his pretty daughter. This young fellow was tall, well made, and good-looking enough, and when you got over his dandyified air was by no means a bad sort of man. But he had a way of bursting upon the passengers, four or five times a day, in a totally new toilette, all the more absurd on the deck of a steamer for being elaborately perfect in itself. He would call down the companion-ladder to his valet, "Alfred! Alfred!" and Alfred would come up—"Yes, sir." "Bring me some perfume," was his master's momentous order. Then Alfred would re-appear with a little bottle of eau de Cologne in the other. His master would then drench his shirt front with eau de Cologne, put a little of the mousteline in his handkerchief, and then offer the perfume to Miss B. or any of the passengers at hand. Perhaps it was owing to this affectionate and nonsense that Miss B. seemed to be more amused than fascinated by his grace and refinements. However, the voyage soon came to an end, and though all the English passengers went in the first instance to the same hotel, the party broke up in a few days. At least my friend no longer formed part of it, since he started on a tour through Kabylia to Oran and Mostaganem, and it was only six weeks later that he got back to Algiers, just forty

eight hours before the departure of the steamer in which he was to return to Marseilles. He would have liked to pay his respects to Lord H., but heard that he had gone off in the Tunis direction towards the day after, almost the first person my friend saw was Alfred, who said his master was on board, but very far from well, and not able to bear the noise on deck; so, after looking to his own berth and luggage, my friend went to pay him a visit. He found him the sole possessor of one of the only two private cabins in the vessel, but with no remains of his former splendour upon him. In fact, he was decidedly rough and untidy, and indeed almost dirty, in appearance. He did not seem extravagantly overjoyed at seeing my friend, but was civil enough, and by way of being hospitable, called out—"Alfred, coffee!"

Alfred, afterwards, from what Alfred said, that his master had lived upon hardly anything else than coffee for more than a fortnight, and he was very anxious about him. Alfred was an honest good servant, but not reluctant to talk, and so it came out that in his opinion his master had been refused by Miss B., and "had taken it very badly to heart." My friend has no doubt this was really the case. The poor fellow's careful avoidance of any allusion to Lord H. or to the circumstances of their former voyage went far to prove it. At any rate it was clear that, whatever the cause, the man was in a queer state of mind. He did not appear at any of the public meals, but lived upon rums and coffee. He kept a great deal, but when he was awake he called out every hour, and sometimes every half-hour, "Alfred, coffee!"

My friend asked him "if he thought so much coffee could be good for him," and he replied that he took "it to keep himself awake." The second day after starting, as the vessel was within sight of Majorca (or Minorca) the passengers were all at dinner when the cry was raised—"Bonnes de la mer!" and the captain, chief officer, and many of the passengers rushed on deck. There, sure enough, they could see a man in the water about a hundred or a hundred and fifty yards off, not by any means on the point of drowning or straining his eyes desperately for rescue, but calmly swimming off towards the Balearic Isles. Of course it was, as you have already guessed, our rejected lover. My friend had rushed down to the said lover's cabin, only to find it empty and Alfred tearing his hair metaphorically with self-reproach. Before the engines could be reversed, the steamer was stopped, and a boat put in the water, and the man was a quarter of a mile off, but the people on board gave him up for lost. That, however, who had telegraph or binoculars bearing on the drowning man, announced that he did not seem to be the prey to much anxiety himself. They declared that he swam like a dolphin, that he was disporting himself in the water like one, and that he was swimming scrupulously away from the boat which was going to rescue him! Not to linger on my story too tediously, they did get him into the boat, and brought him safely back on board. My friend says that the French officer in charge of the boat gave a most comical account of the fuss they had to get the Englishman to allow himself to be saved. He pushed the oars which were stretched out to him, said, "He dived once under the boat, and tried to tempt the officer to get out and have a swim, saying that the water was delicious, and in fact chased him, to the immense glee of the sailors. And, in short, it was only by artifice and force that they at last dragged him on board. He did not seem at all bent on suicide, but he was not in any hurry to be saved; and in fact did not appear to have any fixed purpose beyond a swim in the water. The captain was at first for putting him in confinement; but on my friend and the valet Alfred engaging to look after him, things were left on their old footing. Nevertheless, it was clear enough that the man was out of his mind. This was so clear to Alfred, that he came to my friend and said—"Please, sir, now that my master is so strange, I am uneasy about the quantity of valuable property of his I have in my charge; I can't help thinking how awkward it would have been if master had been drowned, but in fact that, please, sir, I should like that made of master's things now, while it can be verified." This seemed reasonable and straightforward, and in fact Alfred showed himself throughout a very trustworthy servant. As my friend, however, was the only Englishman (except the lunatic and his valet) on board, he thought it best at this point to take the French captain into council. They were in the Captain's cabin hearing Alfred's enumeration of the jewelry and money, which he knew his master to have in his possession, when suddenly there was another tremendous hubbub on deck. They rushed upstairs, and there was the interesting object of their anxiety strutting about with an air of perfect self-possession and superiority like some of the savages, without a stitch of clothing on except a very short pair of bathing drawers. It was evening early, almost dark, and there were several lady passengers on deck; but these of course testified all the proper amount of horrorification. In short it was obvious that this sort of thing could not be allowed to go on, and my friend had nothing to object when the captain ordered the unfortunate Englishman to be taken below *volens nolens*, and looked in his cabin with a sailor sentry over him. This state of things continued until the steamer's arrival at Marseilles. There the captain and my friend and Alfred went at once to the English Consul, by whose advice and means the poor fellow was confined provisionally to a *maison de santé* until his friends in England could be communicated with. These are very wealthy people, living in considerable style in Portland Place. The Consul, I believe, wrote to them, and they came, giving him address in London, and saying that his recovery he should be happy, if it was desired, to wait on them and give all the further information in his power regarding the distressing affair. My friend then proceeded leisurely *ad Paris* on his way to England, where he arrived just before Christmas—the valet Alfred remaining with his master in Marseilles. My friend was rather disgusted at receiving, a few days ago, a communication from the Portland Place gentlemen, thanking him rather stiffly for the trouble he had taken with regard to his son, but expressing not the least desire to make his acquaintance or thank him in person. The writer said in an off-hand manner that he had of course made arrangements for his son's immediate return to England, and concluded by observing that he could not much blame the consular and medical authorities

at Marseilles for their misconception of his son's mental condition, inasmuch as he did certainly suffer badly at times from the effect of a *coup de soleil* experienced at cricket. Here ends my friend's connection with the business—unless indeed he should hereafter meet his eccentric acquaintance walking up and down Portland Place in pyjamas.

SIX HOURS IN A DARK CELL.

During his recent stay in Brisbane, the *Argus* "Vagabond," Mr. Julian Thomas, indulged in the luxury of six hours in the dark cell in Brisbane Gaol. The *Australasian* of the 22nd instant publishes his "account of that experience." Leaving out a well-written preface, for which we regret we have not space, the following is the narrative of the six hours and its sensations and effects:—

It is owing to the kindness of my Queensland friends that I have been enabled to make this experiment and go through one of the apparently roughest experiences I have yet endured. I have to thank many gentlemen in Brisbane, heads of Government departments, for courtesies liberally extended towards me, and information freely rendered. As in Victoria, one generally finds these officials far superior to their masters in Parliament. But to no one am I more indebted than to Mr. T. H. Barron, Assistant Commissioner of Police, who is also visiting justice for the gaol, convict establishment on the Island of St. Helena, Benevolent Asylum, and Lunatic Reception-house. I have visited all these places as an ordinary stranger, and everything has been freely shown to me. Neither Mr. Barron, nor Mr. Halloran, the Sheriff, who has the immediate supervision of the penal establishments, appears to be afraid of publicity or criticism. When we visited Brisbane Gaol and saw the dark cells, I expressed a wish to Mr. Barron to pass some hours in one. "Certainly," said he. "I don't suppose the Sheriff will object. You shall do it when you like." In pursuance of this arrangement, I last night received the following letter:—

"November 29, 1877.

"My Dear Vagabond.—'Lodgings to let.' Report yourself before noon to-morrow at the gaol, and you will find the apartment vacant. No indulgences nor stimulants allowed. Strictest good tamplism enforced.—Yours sincerely,

"T. H. BARRON."

I meant to do the thing thoroughly, without any indulgences or support from stimulants, but I was pleased to find that Mr. Barron entered into the spirit of the joke (?), and meant to have me treated in every respect like an ordinary prisoner. I think that as regards physical and mental condition the ordinary prisoner would be ahead of me. Neither in mind nor body am I at the present time at all fit. The meanness and *meanness* with which I have been suffering during the past months has rendered the slightest mental exertion painful and arduous. So I felt my pulse when I wrote this morning, and concluded that I must eat a good breakfast and drink a couple of glasses of claret to bring myself into form, and give my experiment a fair show. Then I smoked a cigar, with a cup of black coffee, before taking cab for the gaol, where I arrived shortly before 12.

Mr. Barron, the governor, met me, and I went into his office for a few minutes and examined the books with the record of punishments. Twenty-four hours in the dark cell seems the ordinary punishment, although three days is often given, and sometimes more. When a prisoner has a sentence of more than twenty-four hours he is let out every day for an hour's exercise, and is—should be—daily visited by the doctor. At Pentridge, a prisoner in the dark cell has no such privilege, but has to serve his time straight out. When I first visited Brisbane Gaol, Mr. Barron ordered the release of a man who had been in the cell since the previous day. I examined him curiously. He looked white and cowed, "penitent," Mr. Barron called it. At St. Helena we found a man in one of the dark cells there—which, however, are not quite dark, the perforated ventilators over the doors admitting rays of light. He roared lustily, "Oh, Mr. Barron! For the love of God let me out, and I'll never do it again," and on his promising to obey orders in future he was released. These were the only two cases I had met with, as at Pentridge, under the far too lenient discipline, the dark cell is, or at least was, used as a means of punishment. Well, I was now going to test the mystery, and as we walked across one of the prison yards sacred to the senseless punishment of "shot drill," I began to think that I was a very bad subject for such an experiment. I was not nervous, but I felt that my highly excitable brain might lead me into phantasies. I was going to do what Mr. Eden, the Oxford scholar, a man of trained mind and body, who was supported by prayer and "unseen lights" and "unseen hands," found almost too much for his reason to stand. Thus, then, but I had an idea it was very near the fact. I daresay the warders were rather astonished when I ascended the twelve steps leading into the sunken building containing two punishment cells. Both of these were entirely empty, save boards on stretchers which at night the prisoners lie on. I was not, however, allowed this indulgence; and the hall having been pointed out to me, and a can of water placed on the floor, the door was shut and I found myself in for "six hours' solitary" in a dark cell 9 feet by 8 feet and 10 feet high, with massive stone walls, and cemented floor—ventilated at the top certainly, but still very close and stifling on this the hottest day of the present season.

Only 9 feet by 8 feet! There appeared to be a thousand miles of darkness around me. Or was it a solid substance? Involuntarily I placed out my hands as if to save my face, and walked slowly and hesitatingly the length of my cell. Only 9 feet certainly, and yet there seemed miles. In that darkness, which could be almost felt, there was a sense of chaos, of void, of infinity. I walked back to the corner opposite the door, and, taking off my coat and collar, sat down on the floor. The stone floor was cold and rather damp. I began to feel a sense of oppression on the forehead, which lasted for a time. Then I began to count, but that is a foolish game at which I always get confused. Then I set to work and composed two plays, three novels, and four new series of the "Vagabond Papers." My brain got rather tired and stupefied. Then I thought it must be 6 o'clock. Now, I was transgressing the rules to the extent that I had my watch and some matches with me, but I took these that I might mark the effect of time. I now struck out. I had only been in three-quarters of an hour. This was discouraging. "I will not stirle

another match," I said, "but come what will, what may, I will do this thing properly, and endure like a criminal." Then a great and nameless horror came over me. There, in front of me, in the million miles of darkness, there was a dreadful something. But an effort of the will dispelled it. Then fancy evolved two figures. One gay, and sprightly, and beautiful as Grecian goddesses. "I am Fiction," she said. The other calm, sedate, grand, powerful like an image in ruins in the *The Bard*. "I am Fact," she said. I laughed and clasped her to my arms. "Come, let me reason," said I. Perhaps no man ever had such a chance of easily distinguishing himself as was now presented to me. Here I was, investigating a vexed problem. "No one could deny that I passed these hours in the cell. I might write what I liked—pile a Pelion on Ossa of fiction; philanthropists and social reformers would be on my side, popular feeling would be aroused, and I should be renowned as a martyr. And I could truthfully have done this. I believe I could have peopled that vast blackness before me with creatures of my imagination—fears as those of Edgar A. Poe. I could have worked myself into an ecstasy of nervous delirium. Hall should not be more horrible than this dungeon as I could make it. I thought of this and laughed—at how I was about to disappoint those friends who are perpetually styling me a sensational writer. In these lines fancy is put on one side, and there is nothing but real stern fact. "What would a prisoner do first?" I thought. Walk about, sit down, and then—Why, then, investigate every corner, and see if he could find something to amuse himself. So on hands and knees, greatly to the detriment of my garments, I crawled around the cell. Some dust, a very minute pebble, this is all I found till I suddenly touched something cold.

For a moment I did feel nervous. Was it a snake? I had withdrawn my hand quickly, but otherwise did not stir. An old nigger who taught me woodcraft said, "Nebber you git back, massa, whatever you may come on, if it's a bar or a deer, or a rattler, or a skunk. You keep quite still always, and you won't skeer the critter, and it won't skeer you." This was very good advice which I always remember. So, quietly on my hands and knees I maintained for a few minutes a state of masterly inactivity. I had matches in my coat, in the corner, certainly, but I wasn't going to "git back." I listened—no sound. His snakeship asleep, perhaps. But could it be a snake? It was a cold, smooth, damp body I had touched. This was interesting, if not poisonous, a snake would be good company. I don't know what impelled me, and suddenly I darted out my hand again, and caught the thing. Then I had a hearty laugh. It was the can of water, which I had forgotten all about. I did not have a drink, as I wished to make things as rough as possible for myself. I crawled back to my corner, which seemed like a home now. Then I investigated the walls, feeling everything cautiously and carefully. Something ran over my hands, but I was not to be skeered again. It must have been a spider, though where he got flies from in this dungeon I don't know. The smooth cemented surface of the walls and floor presented no object of interest. If I had an old nail now I might do a little business & be "the Prisoner of Gisors." Then I sat down in the corner again and began to sing. I yelled out every rebel song I knew, from "The Berry Blue Flag" to the "Shan Van Vogh." This was rather jolly. A prisoner in the dark cell can kick up a good row as he likes. No one can hear him. After a time I got tired of hearing my own voice echoing back to me from every corner of the cell. Then I thought again. I don't believe in prayer, or in "unseen lights," or "unseen hands," but out of one's own brain you can coin much. I thought of the murderers and villains who had occupied this cell. Crimes seemed to taint the very atmosphere. Perhaps in this very spot where I lay the coward murderer may have reposed. There seemed a smell of blood in the air. Horrible suggestions and possibilities came into my mind. Again I conquered this, although I had a dull heavy pain in my head, and for a time I placed my hands near my eyes to keep out the darkness.

When I removed them I had a strange optical delusion. Far away over me in the deep darkness—thousands and thousands of miles it seemed—there was a beautiful luminous ball of a pale yellow color. It seemed to slowly descend. It appeared to take hours in coming down, and reminded me of the angels in Gustave Doré's picture, which are hovering over the bodies of the Christian martyrs in the Coliseum. This light was very beautiful, but, strange to say, did not get larger, although at last it seemed close to me. Now, religious or superstitious people might say this was an angel or devil, the spiritualist that it was a manifestation, but I, with ordinary scientific knowledge, knew that it was mere delusion. "When I close my eyes again it will go," I said. I did so, and it was gone. I examined the circumstances, and I say my name was Tom Robinson. I had been "choked" to the governor, and had "twenty-four hours' solitary." Some time had gone already. At 6 o'clock I should have my beer and water, and the board would be brought for me to sleep on. I think I could sleep for twelve hours. Then I should have an hour's exercise, and after finishing my time I should be sent to my own cell once more. Tom Robinson, this is rough on you, but not so degrading as being thrashed. My man, if you have any good in you, you can meditate now on your future, and make up your mind to mend. This is hard punishment, no doubt, but it will teach you sense, and that there is no use in kicking against the pricks. Then I sang two or three more songs, and paced the cell a hundred times. I became a time quite used to it. My pulse was steadier, I recovered my nerve, and my only sensation was that it was heavily uncomfortable to sit on a cold floor, with possibilities of rheumatism in the future. Afterwards I began to get hungry, then sleepy. I knew that night was approaching through hearing the merry hum of a mosquito thrashing for my blood. My senses became acute and I could just detect the distant rumbling of the trains, and occasionally a faint noise in the prison yard overhead. But during the last hour of my confinement, I say truthfully that my feelings were merely those of ordinary discomfort. I believe I could have stood eighteen more hours with far greater ease than the first five.

At last the key rattled in the lock above, then steps descended, and my cell door was unlocked. The light only dazzled my eyes

for one moment. Then I walked out, and said to Mr. Bernard, "Feel my pulse." "Pretty fair," he said. "How do I look?" I asked. "You look a little pale." How did I feel? Simply hungry! Yes, after six hours in this dungeon, which according to humanitarians and novel writers should tend to produce madness, I only felt as if I wanted my dinner. Now, as before pointed out, one man's sensations can never be a true criterion of another's. It may be right that this experiment of mine was no fair trial of the extent of the punishment to a criminal. It may be said that the uneducated, ignorant dullard will suffer a thousand times more than a man of intelligence. It may be so. I know that solitude tends to insanity, and that the records of lunacy show that ignorance produces more madmen than mental activity. Yet the man of excitable brain, of powerful imagination, will, I imagine, under many conditions, suffer as much as the fool. The readers of the "Vagabond Papers" will not imagine that I am wanting in nerve, but lately I have not been in my old form, and certainly I do not consider I was as fitted to do the dark cell as Mr. Eden, the chaplain of fiction. But being through it, I unhesitatingly declare that what has been written on this subject is mostly sheer nonsense. The punishment, although severe, as it is meant to be, is not calculated to produce madness, and as a punishment it is far better and more efficacious than flogging. With the due precautions of a daily exercise and examination by a surgeon, there is little fear of a man's body or mind giving way. I should have little compunction in sentencing an offending prisoner to three days in the dark cell, being pretty sure that, after the first six hours, his hardest time would have passed. I am henceforth an advocate of punishment by solitary confinement in a dark cell, as well as of the separate and silent system of prison discipline. I have tried both, and know what it is. The only man who has voluntarily undergone such experiences I give my views as being worth something, even although they only embody the ideas of one individual.

But I certainly enjoyed the glass of beer which Mr. Bernard hospitably gave me, the taste of a cigar was recovered Elysium, and as my cab drove me to a well-earned dinner, the sky appeared brighter, the air purer, the grass greener, and the children in the streets more beautiful than ever before. All Nature and Humanity seemed smiling and happy. It was recovered Liberty which thus made everything *cour de rose* after six hours spent in a dark cell.

ONE OF THE SIX HUNDRED.—Hopeful Father.—"Well Tom, did you go after that place where the smart boy was wanted?" Hopeful Son—"Yes; and I desay I'd a-got it, if there hadn't been about five hundred and ninety-nine other small boys got there first."

STUDENT INTERPRETERS FOR THE EAST.—The Foreign Office have required the Civil Service Commissioners to hold an open competitive examination for the situation of student interpreter in China, Japan and Siam, four of these appointments being in China and one in Japan, to be chosen by the successful candidates in order of seniority. The salary is £200 a year. The office has been instituted to supply the Consular service in China, Japan, and Siam with persons versed in the languages of those countries, and otherwise competent to discharge consular duties. The student interpreters are to devote themselves to the study of the language of the country to which they are appointed, and to qualify themselves generally for the public service, but their retention in the public service will depend on the ability they may show after their arrival at their destination, and on their good conduct.

Quotations.

HONGKONG, March 15, 1878.

OPIUM.—New Patna, cash, \$575 a 577½ credit, —

" Old Patna, cash, — None credit, —

" New Benares, cash, 545 a 547½ credit, —

" Old Benares, cash, 675 credit, —

" New Malwa, cash, 675 credit, 680

" Allowance Telas, 6 a 20 credit, —

" Old Malwa, cash, — credit, —

" Allowance Telas, — credit, —

QUICKSILVER, \$4.50

SALTPETRE, \$4.30 a 6.80

Exchange.

Bank, on demand, 8/10½

" 30 days' sight, 3/10½

" 6 months' sight, 8/11

Credit, 3/11½

Documentary, 6 months' sight, 8/11½

Bombay, demand Rupees, 22½ a 223

Calcutta, 22½ a 223

Shanghai, demand, 7½

" 30 days, 7½

Bar Silver, 17, dwt. B., 8.50

Sycee, 8.50

Maximam, 13 p. a pm.

Gold Leaf, 26.80

English Sovereigns, 6.03

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Discount, 7 to 8 %

Shares.

Hongkong Bank, 58 p. prem.

Union Ins. Society of Canton, \$1,800

China Traders' Ins. Co., \$1,150

Chinese Insurance Co., \$245

Fongtze Ins. Assoc., Tls. 625

North China Ins. Co., Tls. 950

S. K. Fire Ins. Co., \$385

H. K. & W. W. Donk Co. par.

H. K. & W. S. Boat Co., \$16 ds.

To Let.

THE GODOWNS AND OFFICES, Praya Central, recently in the occupation of A. McG. Heaton, Esq.
Apply to **RUSSELL & Co.**
Hongkong, March 5, 1878. m20

TO LET.

THE Dwelling House No. 6, Mosque Terrace, possession from 15th April next.
Three Offices, in Club Chambers.
Apply to **DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.**
Hongkong, March 4, 1878.

TO LET.

STABLES, to Accommodate Three Horses and a Carriage.
Apply to **THE MEDICAL HALL**
Hongkong, February 23, 1878. m23

TO LET.

HOUSE No. 9, Queen's Road Central, with Godowns attached.
House No. 2, Seymour Terrace.
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
Hongkong, January 4, 1878.

Mails.

NOTICE.
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANÇAIS.
STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA, PORT SAID, NAPLES, AND MARSEILLES.
Also,
BOMBAY, MAHE, ST. DENIS, AND PORT LOUIS.

ON THURSDAY, the 21st March, 1878, at Noon, the Company's S. S. **AMAZON**, Commandant MONTMAYE, with MALES, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.
Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 20th March, 1878. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)
Contents and value of Packages are required.
For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.
H. DU POUEY, Agent.
Hongkong, March 8, 1878. m21

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamer CITY OF TOKYO, will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on THURSDAY, the 28th instant, at Noon, taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.
A REDUCTION OF TWENTY PER CENT on regular rates is granted to OFFICERS of the ARMY and NAVY, and MEMBERS of the CIVIL and CONSULAR SERVICES in COMMISSION.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m., of 27th instant. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.
For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 9, Praya Central.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, March 8, 1878. m22



STEAM FOR Singapore, Penang, Point de Galle, Aden, Suez, Malta, Brindisi, Ancona, Venice, Mediterranean Ports, Southampton, and London.
Also,
Bombay, Madras, Calcutta, and Australia.

THE PANICULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship KHIVA, Captain G. LEE, will leave this on THURSDAY, the 28th March at Noon.
For further Particulars, apply to
A. LIND, Superintendent.
Hongkong, March 14, 1878. m23

Intimations.

KWONG HING CHEUNG & Co.,
COAL MERCHANTS.
Have always on hand for Sale every description of COAL at Moderate Prices.
Mr. ARYON has been appointed Manager, and all Orders addressed to him at 57, Praya, or to Mr. FAY JAE, at 30, Hing Lung Street, will receive immediate attention.
Hongkong, March 19, 1877. m19

ESTATE OF DODD & Co.

AT the MEETING held on the 12th instant at Messrs DODD & Co.'s Offices, the following RESOLUTIONS were carried—
1. That the affairs of the said DODD & Co. shall be liquidated by arrangement, and not in Bankruptcy.
2. That FRANCIS CHOMLEY be, and he is hereby appointed Trustee.
3. That H. ABENDROTH and EDMUND FAY be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee of Inspection.

All PAYMENTS on account of the Estate, it is requested, will be Paid to the order of the Undersigned.
F. CHOMLEY,
Trustee for the Estate of DODD & Co.

Amoy, January 14, 1878.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

CHINA SEA.
FOOCHOW DISTRICT, No. 2.

NOTICE is hereby given that a dangerous Reef of Rocks, on which the Barque "BENJAMIN AYMAR" struck, on the 22nd of January, 1878, has been surveyed by the Revenue Cutter "Zing Feng," Captain T. FARROW. The following bearings and directions are given:
1. Magnetic bearings from the Centre of the Reef:
(Sharp) Peak, South 76° West.
(Sea) Peak, South 56° East.
(Eastern) Square Rock, North 10° West.
2. The Reef extends in a North Easterly direction. It is about three cables in length, and two cables wide, the least water found being ten feet upon two pinnacle Rocks lying about two cables apart; these Rocks have deep water between them, varying from three to eight fathoms.
Note.—This danger is in the Fair way of Vessels approaching the Outer, or No. 1, Buoy from the North.

C. HANNEN,
Commissioner of Customs,
Custom House,
Foochow, March 1, 1878. m17

NOTICE.
OFFICE OF THE SHANGHAI STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, IN LIQUIDATION.

A THIRD RETURN OF CAPITAL AND INTEREST at the Rate of FIVE POUNDS per SHARE will be made to Shareholders of Record on the 28th February, Payable at the Office of the Liquidators, on the 8th March.

Warrants will be delivered by the Undersigned Shareholders, or their lawful representatives, on presentation of Share Certificates for Endorsement.
The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st to the 8th March inclusive.
By Order,
RUSSELL & Co.,
Liquidators.
Shanghai, February 28, 1878. m24

Insurance.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance granted at the rates of Premium current at the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEE.
JAB. B. COUGHTRY,
Secretary.
Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—Two Millions Sterling.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on Goods in Mats, or on Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single Life.
For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information, apply to
ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co.
Agents Hongkong & Canton.
Hongkong, January 4, 1877.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of £45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein, at current local rates, subject to Discount of 20% on the Premium.

NORTON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

Insurance.

YANGTSE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

CAPITAL—Fully Paid-up—Tls. 420,000
PERMANENT RESERVE—230,000
SPECIAL RESERVE FUND—75,000
Total Capital and accumulations this date—Tls. 725,000

Directors:
F. B. FORBES, Esq., Chairman.
M. W. BOYD, Esq., J. C. KENNEDY, Esq., M. P. EVANS, Esq., J. C. LUGAR, Esq.

Secretaries:
Messrs. RUSSELL & Co., Shanghai.
London Bankers:
Messrs. BARRING BROTHERS & Co.

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HONGKONG, LONDON, SAN FRANCISCO, and the Principal Ports in the East.

POLICIES granted on Marine Risks to all parts of the World, at current rates.
Subject to a charge of 12 1/2% for interest on Shareholders' Capital, and the PROFITS of the UNDERWRITING BUSINESS will be annually distributed among all Contributors of Business in proportion to the premium paid by them.

RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, October 1, 1877. ocl

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED.)

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on Marine Risks to all parts of the World, in accordance with the Company's Articles of Association. Two Thirds of the Profits are distributed annually to Contributors, whether Shareholders or not, in proportion to the net amount of Premiums contributed by each, the remaining third being carried to Reserve Fund.

OLYPHANT & Co.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, April 17, 1873.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents, Royal Insurance Company.
Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1806.
CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Undersigned Agents at Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the extent of £10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandise in the same, at the usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20 per cent.

GILMAN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

SHEONG ON FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL ONE MILLION DOLLARS.

Directors:
KWONG ACHONG, Merchant.
RABO YIM, Merchant.
HO SAM, of Hong Yik Chan, Merchant.
LOB YAN, of the Yee On Hong, Merchant.
LEE SING, of Lai Hing Yim, Merchant.
CHANG SING YONG, Merchant.
CHOW CHAN, Merchant.

Manager—HO AMEL.

POLICIES against FIRE granted on Buildings and on Goods stored therein at CURRENT RATES, subject to Discount of 20% on the Premium.

OFFICE, 43, Bonham Strand.
Hongkong, August 23, 1877. m23

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER
of
His Majesty King George The First,
A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—

Marine Department.
Policies at current rates payable either here, in London or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.
Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

Life Department.
Policies issued for sums not exceeding £5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Hongkong, October 14, 1859.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusives of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked A., near the Kowloon shore B., and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked C., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.
3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's Office to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.

Section.
5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.
8. From Pier to East Point.

Vessel's Name.	Section.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers.								
Agamemnon	5	Wilding	Brit. str.	1550	Mar. 14	Butterfield & Swire	Amoy & Shanghai	17th daylight
Atalanta	4	Petersen	Ger. str.	753	Mar. 13	Siemssen & Co.	Saloon	To-day
Bellona	4	Ahrens	Ger. str.	789	Mar. 14	Wm. Pustau & Co.	Saloon	Laid up
Bombay	2	Green	Brit. str.	749	Feb. 12	Kwok Acheong	Saloon	
Chitabala	2	Thomas	Brit. str.	95	Oct. 2	Kwok Acheong	Saloon	
Galley of Lorne	5	McDonald	Brit. str.	1243	Mar. 11	B. Kier & Co.	Saloon	
Gjendras	5	Wilcox	Brit. str.	1845	Mar. 9	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Shanghai	To-morrow
Halong	5	Abbott	Brit. str.	277	Feb. 17	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Tamsui, &c.	K'loon Dock
Holland	5	Adrian	Dut. str.	1148	Mar. 11	Siemssen & Co.	Saloon	To-morrow
Japan	5	Smith	Brit. str.	1865	Mar. 6	David Sassoon, Sons & Co.	S'pore, Calcutta, &c.	To-morrow
Keinchow	2	h	Brit. str.	str.	str.	Kwok Acheong	Saloon	
Kjohenhavn	2	Jerichau	Dan. str.	701	Mar. 12	Siemssen & Co.	Saloon	
Lorne	7	McDonloch	Brit. str.	1035	Mar. 12	Melchers & Co.	Saloon	
Maharajah	2	h	Brit. str.	994	Mar. 14	Siemssen & Co.	Saloon	
Minerva	5	Peacock	Brit. str.	1025	Mar. 14	Siemssen & Co.	Saloon	
Norma	2	Walker	Brit. str.	606	Mar. 14	Kwok Acheong	Saloon	
Ocean	3	Jacques	Brit. str.	971	Mar. 12	Butterfield & Swire	Saloon	
Panay	5	Goyenchea	Span. str.	500	Oct. 30	Remedios & Co.	Saloon	
Pernambuco	5	h	Brit. str.	643	Mar. 12	Melchers & Co.	Saloon	
Prinz Friedrich Carl	4	h	Ger. str.	1120	Mar. 12	Melchers & Co.	Saloon	
Sea Gull	5	h	Brit. str.	48	Sept. 19	Insurance Company	Saloon	
Venice	4	Rhodes	Brit. str.	1271	Mar. 6	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	S'pore, Calcutta, &c.	To-morrow
Yamoo	5	h	Brit. str.	559	Mar. 10	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Coast Ports	17th daylight

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